

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Notice of Comment Period and Public Hearing
Concerning the Proposed Issuance of a Construction Permit
to Northwest Illinois Construction Company in Rock Falls

Northwest Illinois Construction Company, 1600 Regan Road, Rock Falls, has applied for an air pollution control construction permit from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) to increase asphalt production at its drum mix asphalt plant located at 1812 McNeil Road in Rock Falls.

The Illinois EPA has made a preliminary determination to issue a permit for the project and has prepared a draft permit for review. The Illinois EPA is holding a public comment period and a hearing to accept comments from the public on the proposed issuance of a permit for this project, prior to making a final decision on the application.

The Illinois EPA Bureau of Air will hold a public hearing on January 30, 2007 at 7:00 pm in the Rock Falls Community Building, 601 West 10th Street in Rock Falls.

The hearing will be held to receive comments and answer questions from the public prior to making a final decision concerning the application. The hearing will be held under the Illinois EPA's "Procedures for Permit and Closure Plans," 35 IAC 166, Subpart A.

Lengthy comments and questions should be submitted in writing. Requests for interpreters (including sign language) must be made by January 15, 2007. Any questions about hearing procedures or requests to address special needs should be made to the Illinois EPA, Hearing Officer, Re: Northwest Illinois Construction Company, 1021 N. Grand Ave. E., P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, IL 62794-9276, 217/782-5544.

Written comments must sent to the Hearing Officer and be postmarked by midnight, March 1, 2007, unless otherwise specified by the Hearing Officer. Written comments need not be notarized.

Persons wanting more information may obtain copies of the draft permit, and project summary at www.epa.gov/region5/air/permits/ilonline.htm (please look under All Permit Records, State Construction Permit, New). These documents and the application can also be viewed at the Rock Falls Public Library, 1007 7th Avenue in Rock Falls or at the Illinois EPA's offices at 1630 Fifth Avenue, Moline, 309/797-3341 and 1340 North Ninth St., Springfield, 217/782-7027 (for either Illinois EPA location please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you).

For information or requests about the application or draft permit, please contact:
Brad Frost, Community Relations, Illinois EPA, 1021 N. Grand Ave. E., P.O. Box 19506, Springfield, IL 62794-9506, 217/782-2113 or 217/782-9143 TDD.